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Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please enter the following amended paragraph for the paragraph beginning "Figure 1
--" on page 30 after the BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING.

Figure 1 - The amino acid sequence of human voltage gated sodium channel $\beta 1A$ subunit (SEQ ID NO:14) aligned with (A) the rat voltage gated sodium channel $\beta 1A$ subunit (SEQ ID NO:15) and (B) human voltage gated sodium channel $\beta 1$ subunit (SEQ ID NO:16) are shown. The overall identity between human and rat VGSC $\beta 1A$ subunits is about 72%, while the identity of their carboxyl terminal regions is less than 33%. The overall identity of human VGSC $\beta 1A$ and $\beta 1$ subunits is 75%, but the identity of their carboxyl terminal regions is less than 17%.